

## ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES FOR MARCH 22, 2007

In attendance, Bill Johnson, Jamie Piedrafite, Leo Janssens, Dottie Munroe, and Marie Zbikowski.

Also in attendance Town Administrator Kevin Paicos, Town Accountant, Jim Shanahan, Lori Capone, Town Conservation Agent.

Minutes for March 19, 2007 approved.

## FY'08 BUDGETS

This is the second scheduled meeting for the Advisory Board to go over the FY'08 Budgets. This session will cover the budgets of the Land Use Department, all Non-departmental budgets, and the Town Hall and the Veterans Memorial Building.

## LAND USE

Lori Capone is at present employed in the Land Use office, and as of July 1, 2007 the title of this position will be designated as the Conservation Commission Agent.

At present there is \$31,000 in the bank, acquired through filing fees to fund this position. Kevin noted that more fee income will be collected through the balance of this fiscal year. Kevin reported the Town is negotiating with Mark Dymek of filing fees for his upcoming construction in town, and the probability of that one-half of these fees collected will go to the Sewer System's projected repairs and the other half will go to the Land Use Department.

## NON-DEPARTMENTAL

A design for merit pay, which would be based upon employee performance, is not as of yet in place. A line item in the amount of \$17,000 is an article in the Town Warrant.

## TOWN HALL/VMS

Ed Schlott will be spending more time doing custodial work at the VMS Building and the Library, during the time the Town Hall is being renovated. He also will be cleaning the area at Oakmont Regional High School which will be housing the Town Hall employees during the Town Hall renovations.

Suggested tamper proof thermostats be at VMS.

Bill would like to know what we are paying of heating oil this year, Kevin to find out this information.

The question of what needs to be done in the way of renovations to VMS so it could be used strictly as a Senior Center, if the building is appropriate for that use. If not what is the way to go with this building?

## LAND USE

At his time, the Town Planner, Eric Smith, and from the Planning Board, John Macmillan, Joe Kalagher and Bruce Whitney joined the meeting.

Discussion on the issues of full time Conservation Commission Agent, and in particular the qualifications required for this extreme professional position.

## DEBT SERVICE

Discussion on debt services.

Kevin said \$35,000 on Line #178 is an estimate, expect to have a precise figure in March 2007.

Advisory Board would like all vehicles noted in the Budget next year.

Next Meeting Monday March 26, 2007 at 7 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy J. Munroe